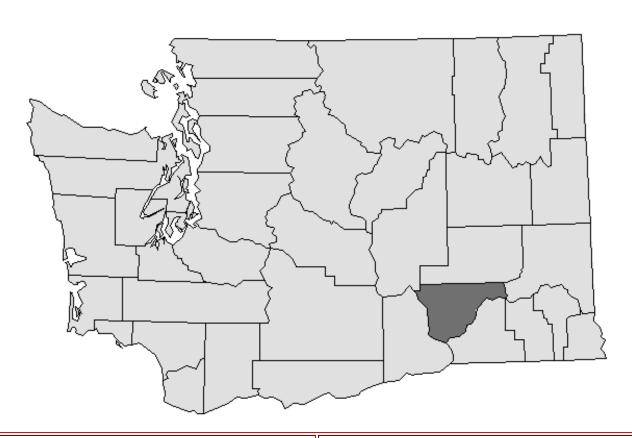
County Profile of Substance Use and Need for Treatment Services in Franklin County



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The Purpose of This Report

The purpose of this report is to provide local planners and evaluators with information that can be used to compare need for and utilization of substance abuse services in counties and demographic subpopulations. The methods used for these county profiles update and improve upon the analyses presented in the first set of county profiles published in 1996. The new county profiles are also complemented by a more comprehensive report located on the DSHS Internet site which includes more detail on methods and additional breakdowns of results. The shorter county profiles are designed to summarize county-specific information and to be printable for distribution as a paper report. Each county profile provides the following:

- estimates of the demographic characteristics of each county population;
- estimates of substance use, substance use disorder, and need for treatment based on the Washington State Needs Assessment Household Survey (WANAHS);
- service utilization data from the Division of Alcohol and Substance Abuse's treatment assessment database (TARGET); and
- comparisons of need for services and use of services both county-wide and by demographic subgroup

The Washington Needs Assessment Household Survey (WANAHS)

The WANAHS was a statewide survey of over 7,000 adults designed to measure the prevalence of substance use and need for treatment. It was conducted over a 14-month period from September 1993 through October 1994. Funding was provided by a grant from the Federal Center for Substance Abuse Treatment. The Washington State Department of Social and Health Services (DSHS) Research and Data Analysis (RDA) section conducted the project on behalf of the DSHS Division of Alcohol and Substance Abuse. Telephone interviewing was provided by Washington State University's Social and Economic Sciences Center. The WANAHS sample included large numbers of minorities and other special groups in order to facilitate demographic analyses. The WANAHS sample included approximately equal numbers of interviews with African Americans, Asians, Hispanics, American Indians, and non-Hispanic Whites. Additional samples of people living at or below 200% of the Federal Poverty Level (FPL), rural residents, and women were interviewed adding coverage of important, but sometimes overlooked, populations. The survey instrument had questions about current and past use of or dependence on major drugs of abuse. Further details of the interviewing and survey methods are provided in the more detailed on-line report. Upon weighting the WANAHS sample to match the actual population distribution, the survey provides direct statewide estimates of substance use and as well as the need for substance abuse services. A statewide profile is also available as a companion report.

Methods for Estimating County-level Prevalence Rates. In order to derive current county level estimates for substance use, abuse and need for treatment from the statewide survey, it was necessary to construct a demographically specified population matrix for each county against which the statewide survey-based rates could be applied. The population matrix contained counts of persons in all groups defined by age, sex, race, marital status, high school graduation, poverty status (at or below 200% of the Federal Poverty Level), and residence type. The population groups were developed from 1990 U. S. decennial census data and updated with current estimates for age, sex, and race from DSHS. All annual estimated and forecasted population figures are adjusted to match official Washington State population figures from the Office of Financial Management.

The substance use variables from the WANAHS were analyzed by the demographic variables listed above. Logistic regression models estimated rates for each cell in the demographic matrix. Differences

between counties in estimated rates of substance abuse result from the demography of the county. For example, counties with higher proportions of young adults will have higher rates of current substance use than counties with lower proportions of young adults, because young adults are more likely to be using substances. Similarly, since married persons are less likely to report substance use, a county with more married people will have a lower estimate of need. Details for this method, often referred to as synthetic estimation, are provided in a more comprehensive on-line report.

Measures of Substance Use, Substance Use Disorder, and Need for Treatment

The WANAHS obtained measures of use and abuse for many different substances. Those have been presented in previous DASA reports. Some of those measures are also reported here in Tables 2 and 3. Note that tobacco use was not included in the survey. Basic measures of use include having: a) ever used a substance (lifetime use), b) used a substance in the past 12 months (past 18 months for alcohol), and c) used a substance in the past 30 days (current). In addition, the household survey incorporated items and scales from the widely used Diagnostic Interview Schedule (DIS) to assess the substance-related diagnoses of the American Psychiatric Association's Diagnostic and Statistical Manual, Third Edition - Revised (DSM-III-R). Lifetime and past 18 month measures of substance abuse and substance dependence were obtained. Table 1 shows the symptom constructs which are part of the DSM-III-R diagnoses of substance abuse and dependence. Although there have been some changes in the diagnostic criteria with the release of DSM-IV, those are unlikely to greatly affect the present findings.

Table 1. DSM III-R Symptoms of Substance Dependence

Three or more of the following:

- 1. Substance is often taken in larger amounts or over a longer period than the person intended.
- 2. Persistent desire or one or more unsuccessful attempts to cut down or control substance use.
- 3. Great deal of time spent in activities necessary to get the substance, taking the substance or recovering from its effects.
- 4. Frequent intoxication or withdrawal when expected to fulfill major role obligations or when use is physically hazardous.
- 5. Important social, occupational or recreational activities given up or reduced because of substance use.
- 6. Continued use despite knowledge of having a persistent or recurrent social, psychological or physical problem.
- 7. Marked tolerance or markedly diminished effect with continued use of same amount.
- 8. Characteristic withdrawal symptoms.
- 9. Substance often taken to relieve or avoid withdrawal symptoms.

Specific assessment criteria for several measures of problem use are presented below:

DSM-III-R Lifetime Dependence: A person is diagnosed with lifetime dependence if:

- 1. they have ever had three or more symptoms of dependence, and
- 2. at least two of those symptoms lasted a month or more or occurred repeatedly over a longer period of time.

DSM-III-R Lifetime Abuse: A person is diagnosed with lifetime abuse if:

- 1. they do not have a lifetime diagnosis of substance dependence;
- 2. they have ever continued substance use despite having recurrent social, occupational, psychological or physical problems exacerbated by it OR used repeatedly in situations where use is physically hazardous (determined from a subset of questions used to assess dependence symptoms); and
- 3. at least one symptom lasted a month or more or occurred repeatedly over a longer period of time.

Past 18 Month Substance Use Disorder: A person is diagnosed with a past 18 month substance use disorder if:

- 1. they have a diagnosis of lifetime dependence or abuse;
- 2. they have used a substance in the last 18 months, and
- 3. they have experienced a DSM-III-R abuse or dependence symptom in the last 18 months.

Past Year Need for Treatment: A respondent needs treatment during the past year if:

- 1. they have a past 18 month substance use disorder; OR,
- 2. they "ever had a problem or felt addicted to alcohol or drugs" AND used alcohol or drugs regularly during the past 18 months (i.e. they drank an average of 3 drinks per drinking day at least once per week OR they used marijuana 50 times or more OR they used any other illicit drug 11 times or more); OR,
- 3. they have received licensed residential or outpatient treatment services during the past 12 months; OR,
- 4. they have maintained a very high level of alcohol or drug use during the past 18 months (i.e. they drank an average of 4 drinks per drinking day at least 3 to 4 times per week OR they used any illicit drug 50 times or more).

Population Groups for Analysis

Overall prevalence estimates for the various measures of substance use, disorder, and need for treatment in Table 2 and the demographically-specific estimates of treatment need in Table 3 are given for three primary populations of interest:

- entire adult population (age 18+) including those living in households, institutions (prisons, hospitals, and nursing homes) and group quarters (military barracks, college dorms, shelters).
 Residential setting is defined according to the U.S. Bureau of the Census definition. The estimates for this population are based on WANAHS survey rates, except that for the institutional population, particularly those in prison, the rates in the WANAHS survey have been inflated beyond the rates for corresponding demographic cell in the household population to compensate for higher rates in these institutional populations.
- **adult population living in households** regardless of poverty status. Estimates for this column come directly from the WANAHS.
- adult population living in households and living at or below 200% of the Federal Poverty Level (FPL). Estimates for this population are based on a subset of survey respondents living at or below 200% of the federal poverty guidelines which approximates people potentially eligible for publicly funded treatment services. The proportion of persons in poverty is not updated from the 1990 census data but is adjusted with changes in age, sex, and race.

Estimates of Substance Use, Disorder, and Need for Treatment

Table 2 presents current, one-year, and lifetime estimates for a variety of alcohol and drug measures. Within each of the columns is a presentation of the estimated number of cases and percent (the rate per 100) of adults estimated to be in need. The population base or denominators for the percentages can be found in the Total row of Table 3.

Table 2. Estimates of Substance Use, Disorder, and Service Need for 1998 for Franklin County

		Entire Adult Population*		sehold nts	Adults at or below 200% of Poverty	
Need for treatment	Cases	Rate	Cases	Rate	Cases	Rate
Current Need for Substance Treatment	2,481	8.5	2,397	8.3	1,012	7.6
Alcohol or Drug disorder	Cases	Rate	Cases	Rate	Cases	Rate
Lifetime Alcohol or Drug Use Disorder	3,464	11.9	3,354	11.6	1,393	10.4
Past 18-Month Alcohol or Drug Use Disorder	1,830	6.3	1,770	6.1	764	5.7
Alcohol disorder	Cases	Rate	Cases	Rate	Cases	Rate
Lifetime Alcohol Use Disorder	2,772	9.5	2,691	9.3	1,043	7.8
Past 18-Month Alcohol Use Disorder	1,706	5.9	1,654	5.7	666	5.0
Drug disorder	Cases	Rate	Cases	Rate	Cases	Rate
Lifetime Drug Use Disorder	1,156	4.0	1,097	3.8	549	4.1
Past 18-Month Drug Use Disorder	363	1.2	344	1.2	193	1.4
Alcohol use	Cases	Rate	Cases	Rate	Cases	Rate
Lifetime Use of Alcohol	25,445	87.3	25,107	87.2	10,846	81.0
Past 18-Month Use of Alcohol	18,272	62.7	17,991	62.5	6,550	48.9
Past 30-Day Use of Alcohol	13,882	47.6	13,650	47.4	4,646	34.7
Use of any drug	Cases	Rate	Cases	Rate	Cases	Rate
Lifetime Use of Any Illicit Drug	9,540	32.7	9,375	32.6	3,753	28.0
Past 12-Month Use of Any Illicit Drug	2,188	7.5	2,094	7.3	841	6.3
Past 30-Day Use of Any Illicit Drug	1,120	3.8	1,065	3.7	452	3.4
Marijuana use	Cases	Rate	Cases	Rate	Cases	Rate
Lifetime Use of Marijuana	8,996	30.9	8,835	30.7	3,444	25.7
Past 12-Month Use of Marijuana	1,922	6.6	1,836	6.4	693	5.2
Past 30-Day Use of Marijuana	987	3.4	937	3.3	366	2.7
Stimulant use	Cases	Rate	Cases	Rate	Cases	Rate
Lifetime Use of Stimulants	4,075	14.0	3,943	13.7	1,848	13.8
Past 12-Month Use of Stimulants	592	2.0	555	1.9	336	2.5
Past 30-Day Use of Stimulants	290	1.0	281	1.0	147	1.1
Cocaine use	Cases	Rate	Cases	Rate	Cases	Rate
Lifetime Use of Cocaine	2,978	10.2	2,879	10.0	1,164	8.7
Past 12-Month Use of Cocaine	386	1.3	360	1.2	203	1.5
Past 30-Day Use of Cocaine	243	0.8	234	0.8	142	1.1
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^{*} Includes institutions and group quarters

Estimates of Current Need for Substance Abuse Services

Table 3 presents estimates of the prevalence of current need for substance abuse services by demographics. As in the previous table, the columns correspond to the total adult population, the household adult population, and adults in households at or below 200% of the Federal Poverty Level. These have current need estimates of 10.4%, 10.1%, and 11.9%, respectively. As can be seen, there is

substantial demographic variability in the estimated rates with higher estimates of need for: younger persons, men, American Indian or Alaskan Natives and Whites, those never married, high school graduates, and those living at or below 200% of poverty. Estimates are also higher for those in institutions and group quarters.

Table 3. Estimates of Current Need for Substance Abuse Treatment for Franklin County for 1998

	Entire Ac	dult Populat	tion*	Adult Hou	Adult Household Residents		Adults at o	Adults at or below 200% Poverty		
Group	Cases	Pop	Rate	Cases	Pop	Rate	Cases	Pop	Rate	
Total	2,481	29,142	8.5	2,397	28,792	8.3	1,012	13,390	7.6	
Age	Cases	Pop	Rate	Cases	Pop	Rate	Cases	Pop	Rate	
01-17	Not	Available		No	t Available		N	ot Available		
18-24	790	4,042	19.5	760	3,993	19.0	354	2,306	15.4	
25-44	1,303	13,249	9.8	1,263	13,142	9.6	544	6,576	8.3	
45-64	308	7,668	4.0	298	7,630	3.9	89	2,855	3.1	
65+	80	4,183	1.9	75	4,027	1.9	25	1,654	1.5	
Sex	Cases	Pop	Rate	Cases	Pop	Rate	Cases	Pop	Rate	
Male	1,733	14,946	11.6	1,674	14,756	11.3	713	6,596	10.8	
Female	747	14,196	5.3	723	14,035	5.2	299	6,794	4.4	
Ethnicity	Cases	Pop	Rate	Cases	Pop	Rate	Cases	Pop	Rate	
White-NH	1,509	15,610	9.7	1,453	15,365	9.5	433	4,171	10.4	
Black-NH	40	675	5.9	38	668	5.7	19	398	4.8	
Asian	19	922	2.0	19	920	2.0	7	412	1.8	
Native Am.**	31	182	17.3	27	174	15.5	10	75	13.4	
Hispanic	882	11,753	7.5	860	11,664	7.4	543	8,334	6.5	
Marital	Cases	Pop	Rate	Cases	Pop	Rate	Cases	Pop	Rate	
Married	1,134	18,615	6.1	1,121	18,558	6.0	439	7,487	5.9	
Div/Sep/Wid	415	5,084	8.2	394	4,902	8.0	170	2,762	6.2	
Never Mar	932	5,443	17.1	882	5,332	16.5	403	3,141	12.8	
Education	Cases	Pop	Rate	Cases	Pop	Rate	Cases	Pop	Rate	
Not HS Grad	965	13,088	7.4	913	12,847	7.1	529	9,264	5.7	
HS Graduate	1,516	16,054	9.4	1,484	15,944	9.3	483	4,127	11.7	
Poverty	Cases	Pop	Rate	Cases	Pop	Rate	Cases	Pop	Rate	
Below 200%	1,078	13,703	7.9	1,012	13,390	7.6	1,012	13,390	7.6	
Above 200%	1,402	15,439	9.1	1,385	15,401	9.0	0	0		
Residence	Cases	Pop	Rate	Cases	Pop	Rate	Cases	Pop	Rate	
Residential	2,397	28,792	8.3	462,861	28,792	1607.6	1,012	13,390	7.6	
Institutional	73	267	27.4		0		0	0		
Group quarters	10	83	12.6		0		0	0		

^{*} Includes institutions and group quarters

^{**} American Indian or Alaskan Native.

Treatment Assessment Report Generation Tool

The Division of Alcohol and Substance Abuse maintains a database of services provided under its programs. This is called the Treatment Assessment Report Generation Tool (TARGET). Reporting is required for treatment agencies providing public sector contracted or funded treatment services and optional for private pay individuals served. Thus TARGET includes data on services provided by or funded by DASA. Although sometimes included in TARGET, we did not report services funded by private payment, or private insurance, or services provided by private practitioners or detoxification provided as part of a medical admission. TARGET information collection is based on establishing a baseline at admission to treatment and capturing/identifying changes to that baseline upon discharge thus providing information on progress during treatment.

The present report draws from services data in TARGET provided to the non-institutionalized population during the five-year period from 1994 through 1998. DASA services provided to prisoners through the Department of Corrections are not included in this report. The services are summarized in three types of units designated: clients, admissions, and volume.

- * *Clients* designates the number of persons who have received DASA services within the year for each of the reported categories. These counts are unduplicated such that a person only counts once for a reported type of service even if they have received multiple instances of service within that type.
- * Admissions (admits) designates the number of identified admissions to programs within a type, and can be duplicated for an individual if that person is readmitted to the same service or is admitted to a different service within the same reporting category. When a person is admitted once for services spanning the end of a year, the admission is credited proportionally to both years. Thus a person admitted on December 1 and discharged on January 31 would be counted as having half an admission in each year.
- * *Volume* is a measure of contacts. For inpatient and residential services the unit of volume is the day. A day is credited for each whole or partial day in the program. A person admitted today and discharged tomorrow would count as having two days in the program. For outpatient programs the unit of volume is the contact/visit. Thus a person who had individual therapy on Monday and Friday of a week would be credited with two visits, as would a person having an individual and a group therapy visit on the same day.

We have provided summaries of service usage in two categorizations. The primary categories for reporting services are by the modality indicated on the admission record. These include a number of specific modalities such as "intensive inpatient", and "long term residential." These detailed modalities are summarized into 1) inpatient, 2) outpatient, 3) methadone and 4) total, for most tables. In addition to summaries by modality, we have provided summaries by specific type of activity within the outpatient and methadone modalities. Although not included in the summaries above, we have also included "detox," "transitional housing," and "dual diagnosis" tabulations under the category "supportive interventions."

Service Trends from TARGET Database

Table 4 presents the service summary trends for the time period from 1994 to 1998. It includes inpatient, outpatient, methadone, and total. Generally, patterns are consistent over time with some suggestion of decreased inpatient usage over time.

Table 4. Service Trends for 1994-1998 for Franklin County								
Clients	1994	1995	1996	1997	1998			
Inpatient Summary	58	73	58	63	52			
Outpatient Summary	239	258	282	307	280			
Methadone Summary	0	0	0	1	0			
Total (Inpatient,Outpatient,Methadone)	272	308	323	352	313			
Admits	1994	1995	1996	1997	1998			
Inpatient Summary	61	73	56	67	57			
Outpatient Summary	187	224	230	212	211			
Methadone Summary	0	0	0	1	0			
Total (Inpatient, Outpatient, Methadone)	248	297	286	280	268			
Volume	1994	1995	1996	1997	1998			
Inpatient summary - days	2,319	2,649	2,862	2,725	1,870			
Outpatient summary - services	4,528	5,914	6,367	7,134	5,615			
Methadone summary - services	0	0	0	10	0			

Note: Total service volume is omitted because it would mix days and services.

Service Use by Modality and Activity

Table 5 presents the detailed breakout of service utilization by modality and activity. Specifically, within inpatient, outpatient, and methadone modalities, specific service activities are identified. For each modality and activity the number of clients, number of admissions, and service volumes are presented. The average volume per admission is also presented.

Table 5. Service Use by Modality and Act	ivity for	1998 for F	ranklin C	County
SERVICE SUMMARIES	Clients	Admissions	Volume	Volume/Adm.
Inpatient Summary	52	57	1,870	32.8
Outpatient Summary	280	211	5,615	26.6
Methadone Summary	0	0	0	
Any Treatment	313	268	Not appl.	Not appl.
INPATIENT	Clients	Admissions	Volume	Volume/Adm.
II -Intensive Inpatient	37	35	765	21.9
LT -Long Term Residential	9	8	482	60.3
MR -MICA Residential	0	0	0	
EC -Extended Care	7	6	241	40.2
RH -Recovery House	9	8	382	47.8
OUTPATIENT MODALITY	Clients	Admissions	Volume	Volume/Adm.
MO -MICA Outpatient	0	0	0	
GC -Group Care	0	0	0	
OP -Outpatient	280	211	5,615	26.6
METHADONE MODALITY	Clients	Admissions	Volume	Volume/Adm.
MT -Methadone Rx	0	0	0	
OUTPATIENT ACTIVITY	Clients	Admissions	Volume	Volume/Adm.
OP-I Individual	244	204	915	4.5
OP-G Group	266	217	4,619	21.3
OP-J Conjoint - Family with Client	1	1	4	4.0
OP-F Family without Client	0	0	0	
OP-C Childcare	0	0	0	
OP-M Case Management	0	0	0	
OP-A Acupuncture	0	0	0	
OP-U Urinalysis	39	37	77	2.1
METHADONE ACTIVITY	Clients	Admissions	Volume	Volume/Adm.
MT-I Individual	0	0	0	
MT-G Group	0	0	0	
MT-J Conjoint - Family with Client	0	0	0	
MT-F Family without Client	0	0	0	•
MT-C Childcare	0	0	0	•
MT-M Case Management	0	0	0	
MT-A Acupuncture	0	0	0	•
MT-R Methadone Adjustment	0	0	0	•
MT-U Urinalysis	0	0	0	
SUPPORTIVE INTERVENTIONS (Not in Summary)	Clients	Admissions	Volume	Volume/Adm.
DX -Detox	178	306	1,281	4.2
TH -Transitional Housing	0	0	0	•
DD -Dual Diagnosis	2	2	32	16.0

Service Use by Demographics

The next two tables present service summaries for modalities by demographics. Table 6 presents summaries for inpatient and outpatient services. Table 7 presents summaries for methadone and total substance abuse services.

Table 6. Inpatient and Outpatient Substance Abuse Services by Demographics for 1998 for Franklin County

		Inpatient			Outpatient	
St/Co total	Clients	Admissions	Volume*	Clients	Admissions	Volume*
Total	52	57	1,870	280	211	5,615
Age	Clients	Admissions	Volume*	Clients	Admissions	Volume*
0-17	1	1	66	30	30	449
18-24	8	8	317	43	32	724
25-44	33	40	1,022	163	120	3,325
45-64	10	8	465	41	28	1,029
65+	0	0	0	3	1	88
Sex	Clients	Admissions	Volume*	Clients	Admissions	Volume*
Male	34	36	1,290	215	159	4,440
Female	18	21	580	65	52	1,175
Race/ethnicity	Clients	Admissions	Volume*	Clients	Admissions	Volume*
White-NH	36	37	1,144	114	88	2,119
Black-NH	5	8	235	18	11	325
Asian	0	0	0	3	3	44
Native Am	2	2	23	4	2	56
Hispanic	9	10	468	141	107	3,071
Marital status	Clients	Admissions	Volume*	Clients	Admissions	Volume*
Married	2	1	46	74	53	1,771
Sep/Wid/Div	27	30	965	82	54	1,644
Single	23	26	859	124	104	2,200
Education	Clients	Admissions	Volume*	Clients	Admissions	Volume*
Not HS Grad	22	26	1,077	178	132	3,759
H.S.Graduate	30	31	793	102	79	1,856
Household income	Clients	Admissions	Volume*	Clients	Admissions	Volume*
0-1500/mo	51	56	1,848	248	190	4,897
1501-5000	1	1	22	32	20	718
5001+	0	0	0	0	1	0
Residence	Clients	Admissions	Volume*	Clients	Admissions	Volume*
Household	40	45	1,521	267	198	5,360
Institutional	1	1	1	8	10	165
Group quarters	11	11	348	5	3	90

^{*} Inpatient volume is days. Outpatient volume is service contacts.

^{**} American Indian or Alaskan Native.

Table 7. Methadone and Total Substance Abuse Services by Demographics for 1998 for Franklin County

		Methadone		Total (In/Out/Meth)			
St/Co total	Clients	Admissions	Volume*	Clients	Admissions	Volume*	
Total	0	0	0	313	268	Not appl.	
Age	Clients	Admissions	Volume*	Clients	Admissions	Volume*	
0-17	0	0	0	31	31	Not appl.	
18-24	0	0	0	49	40	Not appl.	
25-44	0	0	0	184	160	Not appl.	
45-64	0	0	0	46	36	Not appl.	
65+	0	0	0	3	1	Not appl.	
Sex	Clients	Admissions	Volume*	Clients	Admissions	Volume*	
Male	0	0	0	234	195	Not appl.	
Female	0	0	0	79	73	Not appl.	
Race/ethnicity	Clients	Admissions	Volume*	Clients	Admissions	Volume*	
White-NH	0	0	0	137	125	Not appl.	
Black-NH	0	0	0	22	19	Not appl.	
Asian	0	0	0	3	3	Not appl.	
Native Am	0	0	0	6	4	Not appl.	
Hispanic	0	0	0	145	117	Not appl.	
Marital status	Clients	Admissions	Volume*	Clients	Admissions	Volume*	
Married	0	0	0	75	54	Not appl.	
Sep/Wid/Div	0	0	0	99	84	Not appl.	
Single	0	0	0	139	130	Not appl.	
Education	Clients	Admissions	Volume*	Clients	Admissions	Volume*	
Not HS Grad	0	0	0	191	158	Not appl.	
H.S.Graduate	0	0	0	122	110	Not appl.	
Household income	Clients	Admissions	Volume*	Clients	Admissions	Volume*	
0-1500/mo	0	0	0	281	246	Not appl.	
1501-5000	0	0	0	32	21	Not appl.	
5001+	0	0	0	0	1	Not appl.	
Residence	Clients	Admissions	Volume*	Clients	Admissions	Volume*	
Household	0	0	0	289	243	Not appl.	
Institutional	0	0	0	9	11	Not appl.	
Group quarters	0	0	0	15	14	Not appl.	

^{*} Methadone volume is service contacts. No volume is provided for Total.

Comparisons of Need and Services Funded through DASA

The last analysis presented in this report is a comparison of rates of estimated need for services with rates of utilization of services. This comparison of use to need, in which the number of persons being served is presented as a percentage of the number of persons estimated to be in need, is called *met need*. To the extent that met need falls short of 100%, the shortfall is called *unmet need*.

^{**} American Indian or Alaskan Native.

This comparison is presented in Table 8 to facilitate identification of populations which are using fewer services than would be expected from the estimated need. Statewide, the use to need rate tends to run around 20%, suggesting a rather large amount of unmet need for treatment. However, the services identified in this comparison are only from the public sector. It is reasonable to expect that the private sector, either through insurance or self-pay, would meet some additional proportion of the estimated need. On the other hand, the estimates of need used in the comparison came only from households at or below 200% of the poverty level, who may lack any alternative to public services.

The comparisons show that some groups have less unmet need than others. This occurs in part because some populations are more likely to seek treatment than others and some programs may be better in their outreach to some populations than others. The differences may also be the result of the true local rate of need being greater or less than the estimates provided.

Table 8. Rates of Current Need for Treatment, Use of DASA Treatment Services, and Ratio of Use to Need by Demographics for Franklin County Adults Living in Households, 1998

	At or below 200% of Poverty			DASA Ta	rget Clients	Need Met by DASA(%)
Total	Population	Treatment Need	Need/Pop	Clients	Use/Pop	Use/Need
Total	13,390	1,012	7.6	264	2.0	26.1
Age	Population	Treatment Need	Need/Pop	Clients	Use/Pop	Use/Need
18-24	2,306	354	15.4	47	2.0	13.3
25-44	6,576	1,303	8.3	173	2.6	13.3
45-64	2,855	89	3.1	41	1.4	46.1
65+	1,654	25	1.5	3	0.2	12.0
Sex	Population	Treatment Need	Need/Pop	Clients	Use/Pop	Use/Need
Male	6,596	713	10.8	200	3.0	28.1
Female	6,794	299	4.4	64	0.9	21.4
Race/ethnicity	Population	Treatment Need	Need/Pop	Clients	Use/Pop	Use/Need
White-NH	4,171	433	10.4	111	2.7	25.7
Black-NH	398	19	4.8	19	4.8	99.0
Asian	412	7	1.8	2	0.5	27.2
Native Am.*	75	10	13.4	5	6.7	49.7
Hispanic	8,334	543	6.5	127	1.5	23.4
Marital	Population	Treatment Need	Need/Pop	Clients	Use/Pop	Use/Need
Married	7,487	439	5.9	74	1.0	16.9
Sep/Wid/Div	2,762	170	6.2	88	3.2	51.7
Single	3,141	403	12.8	102	3.2	25.3
Education	Population	Treatment Need	Need/Pop	Clients	Use/Pop	Use/Need
Below HS	9,264	529	5.7	152	1.6	28.8
HS Grad	4,127	483	11.7	112	2.7	23.2

^{*} American Indian or Alaskan Native.

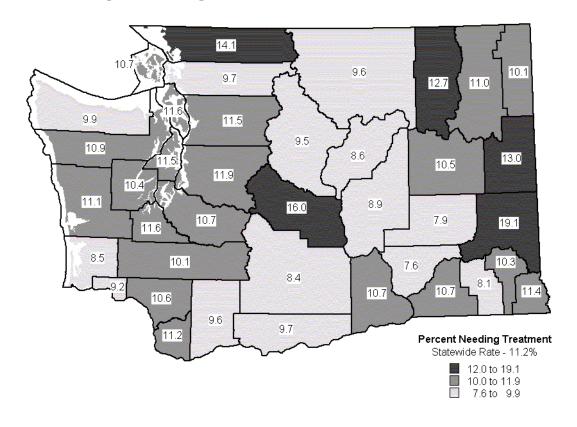
Table 9 presents the trends in the relationship between estimated need for services by adults at or below 200% of poverty and the utilization of services by services eligible adults. Youth below age 18 were not included in these comparisons because they were not included in the WANAHS survey. Although the estimated numbers in need of services change with fluctuations in the population, the overall rates of need remain relatively stable in most counties. There is somewhat more variation over time in the reported use of services and consequently in the use to need ratio.

Table 9. Rates of Current Need for Treatment, Use of DASA Treatment Services, and Ratio of Use to Need for Franklin County Adults Living in Households by Year

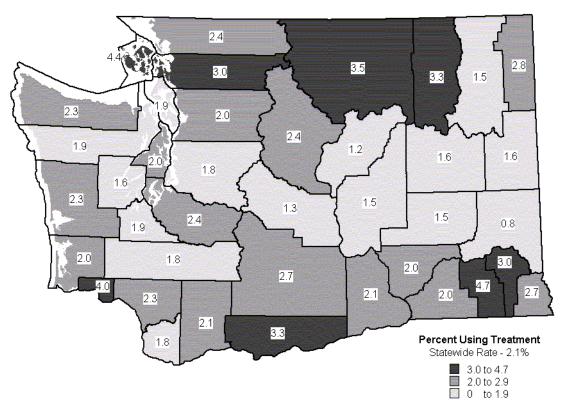
	At or l	below 200% of Pove	e rty	DASA	Clients	Need Met by DASA(%)
	Population	Treatment Need	Need/Pop	Clients	Use/Pop	Use/Need
Adults-1994	12,044	983	8.2	153	1.3	15.6
Adults-1995	12,722	1,009	7.9	239	1.9	23.7
Adults-1996	12,937	999	7.7	268	2.1	26.8
Adults-1997	13,089	1,001	7.7	301	2.3	30.1
Adults-1998	13,390	1,012	7.6	264	2.0	26.1

The distribution of estimated current need for substance treatment, treatment provided by DASA, and the percentage of need met by DASA are presented in the following maps for the year 1998. These estimates are for the adult population in households and are based on the demographic composition of the counties.

Current Need for Substance Abuse Treatment Services
Among Adults Living in Households At or Below 200% FPL, 1998



Use of DASA-funded Treatment Services by Adults Living in Households, 1998



Ratio of Adults Using DASA-funded Treatment to Adults Currently Needing Treatment Among Those Living in Households At or Below 200% of FPL, 1998

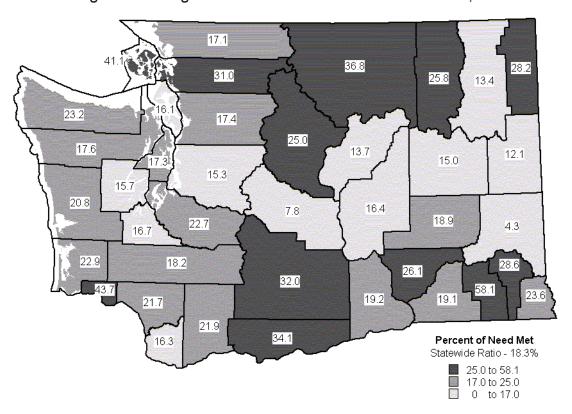
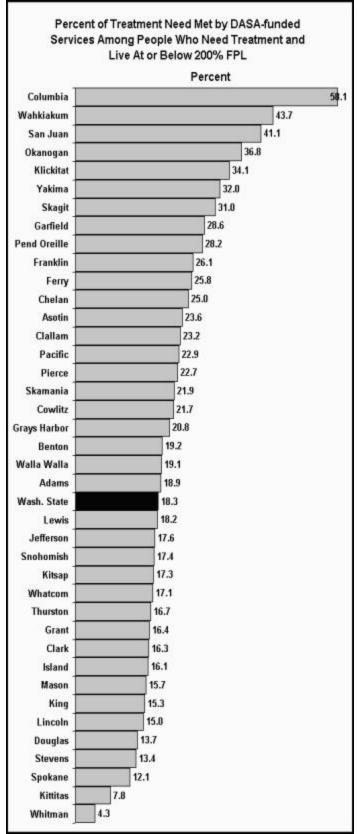


Table 10. Rates of Current Need for Treatment, Use of DASA Treatment, and Ratio of Use to Current Need by County for Washington State Adults Living in Households at or Below 200% FPL, 1998

	Adults Living At or Below 200% FPL								
		Need Treatment		Use DA Treatm	Use/Need				
County	Total	Number	% of Total	Number	% of Total				
Wash. State	962,573	107,823	11.2	19,755	2.1	18.3			
Adams	4,534	359	7.9	68	1.5	18.9			
Asotin	4,340	496	11.4	117	2.7	23.6			
Benton	23,549	2,528	10.7	486	2.1	19.2			
Chelan	15,250	1,450	9.5	363	2.4	25.0			
Clallam	14,071	1,398	9.9	325	2.3	23.2			
Clark	53,015	5,939	11.2	969	1.8	16.3			
Columbia	1,190	96	8.1	56	4.7	58.1			
Cowlitz	19,047	2,011	10.6	437	2.3	21.7			
Douglas	7,331	630	8.6	86	1.2	13.7			
Ferry	2,024	256	12.7	66	3.3	25.8			
Franklin	13,390	1,012	7.6	264	2.0	26.1			
Garfield	508	52	10.3	15	3.0	28.6			
Grant	20,624	1,843	8.9	303	1.5	16.4			
Grays Harbor	16,915	1,874	11.1	389	2.3	20.8			
Island	11,210	1,295	11.6	209	1.9	16.1			
Jefferson	6,200		10.9	119	1.9	17.6			
King	212,311	25,212							
Kitsap	31,264		11.5	620					
Kittitas	8,593		16.0	108	1.3	7.8			
Klickitat	5,248			173					
Lewis	16,604	1,685		307	1.8				
Lincoln	2,408			38	1.6				
Mason	9,902	1,029		161	1.6				
Okanogan	12,441	1,196		440	3.5	36.8			
Pacific	6,292	538		123	2.0	22.9			
Pend Oreille	3,160	319	10.1	90					
Pierce	110,913	11,884	10.7	2,695	2.4	22.7			
San Juan	1,905	204	10.7	84					
Skagit	17,191	1,672	9.7	519	3.0	31.0			
Skamania	2,323	224	9.6	49	2.1	21.9			
Snohomish	66,860								
Spokane	86,087	11,150							
Stevens	9,833	1,083		145					
Thurston	32,352								
Wahkiakum	870			35		i			
Walla Walla	11,174	1,195	10.7	228					
Whatcom	29,796	4,201	14.1	718	2.4	17.1			
Whitman	10,062	1,925		83					
Yakima	61,787	5,166							



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